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In re Patent Application of	Group Art Unit: 1637 Examiner: Cynthia B. Wilder		
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Application No.: 10/678,650	Confirmation No.: 7623		
Filing Date: October 6, 2003))		
Title: DNA PROBES, METHOD AND KIT FOR IDENTIFYING ANTIBIOTIC- RESISTANT STRAINS OF BACTERIA))))		

AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

Enclos	sed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.						
\boxtimes	A Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed.						
	Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the \$\sum \$ 65 \$\sum \$ 130 fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. \§ 1.20(d) are enclosed.						
	Also enclosed is/are:						
	Small entity status is hereby claimed.						
	Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the \$\square\$ \$ 395 \$\square\$ \$ 790 fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).						
	Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.						
	Applicant(s) previously submitted on for which continued examination is requested.						
	Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.						
	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.						

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\boxtimes	No additional claim fee is required.						
	An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:						
			AMENDE	D CLAIMS			
		No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Additional Fee	
Total	Claims	17	20	0	x \$ 50 (1202)	\$	
Indep	endent Claims	4	4	0	x \$ 200 (1201)		
☐ If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$ 360 (1203)					\$		
Total Claim Amendment Fee					\$		
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$		
	Charge to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due. A check in the amount of is enclosed for the fee due.						
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